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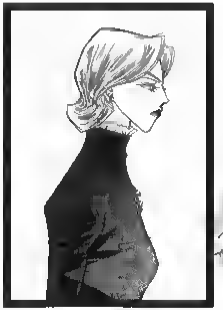
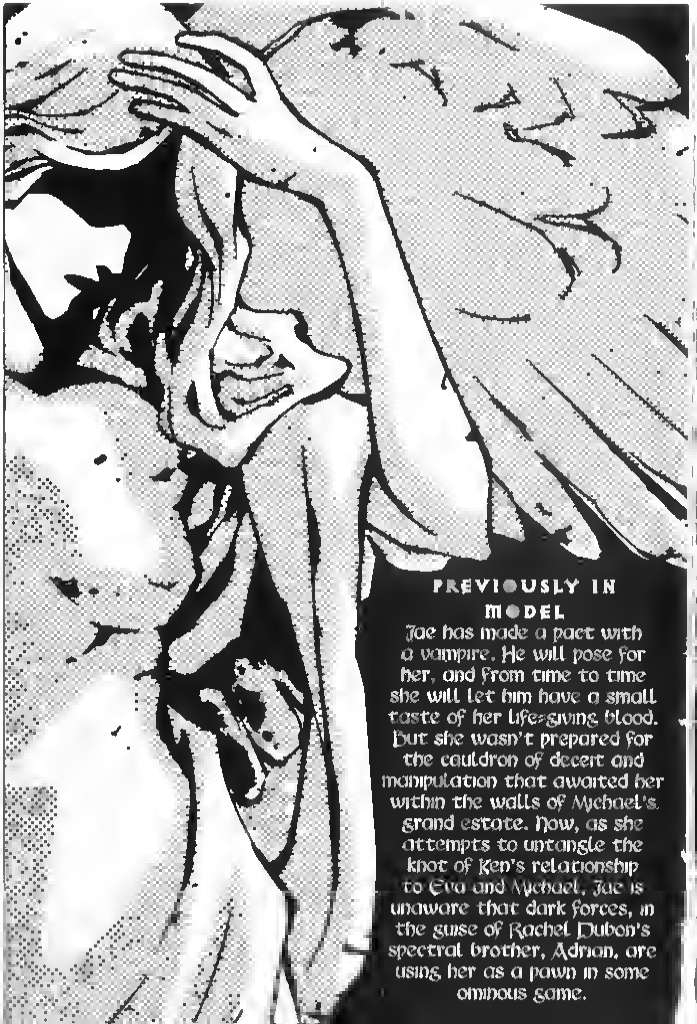
MICHAEL
A Vampire. He has agreed to model for Jae, but she'll pay for his beauty...with blood.

JAE
An Artist. She may have found her muse in Michael, but is he her inspiration or her damnation?

KEN
A Youth. A member of the household who may, or may not, be Michael's prodigal son.



EVA
The Housekeeper. She serves only Michael. But she hasn't always called the Vampire "Master."



PREVIOUSLY IN MODEL

Jae has made a pact with a vampire. He will pose for her, and from time to time she will let him have a small taste of her life-giving blood. But she wasn't prepared for the cauldron of deceit and manipulation that awaited her within the walls of Michael's grand estate. Now, as she attempts to untangle the knot of Ken's relationship to Eva and Michael, Jae is unaware that dark forces, in the guise of Rachel Dubon's spectral brother, Adrian, are using her as a pawn in some ominous game.

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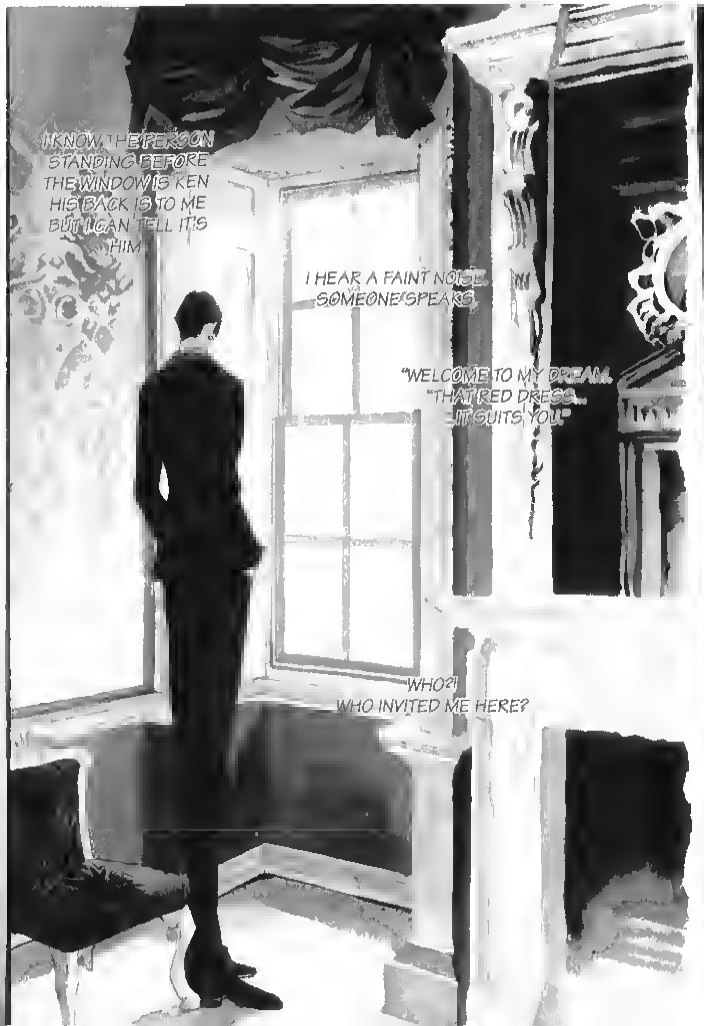
INVITATION TO MY DREAM

THEN- SOMEHOW- I'M IN A SWAMP.
SOMEONE IS THERE
HIS GAZE IS DARK
WHO IS IT?
HIS SWEEPING HAIR STAINS THE SILENCE
WHO COULD HE BE?

SURROUNDED BY ROSES
I FEEL HIM INVADING MY THOUGHTS THERE'S MORE TO HIM THAN JUST A NAME
BUT IN THIS DREAM, I SEE MYSELF AND I WONDER . WHY DOES MY IMAGE SEEM
SO LONELY?


I KNOW THE PERSON STANDING BEFORE THE WINDOW IS KEN HIS BACK IS TO ME BUT I CAN TELL IT'S HIM
I HEAR A FAINT NOISE SOMEONE SPEAKS.
"WELCOME TO MY DREAM. "THAT RED DRESS... ...IT SUITS YOU."
WHO?! WHO INVITED ME HERE?

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MOM, DID SOMEONE DIE?

KEN, STARTING TODAY, I AM THE NEW HOUSEKEEPER OF THIS MANSION
FROM NOW ON, PLEASE CALL ME MS. EVA.
BEFORE I CAME HERE, I ASKED JENNIFER TO MAKE ME A NEW WARDROBE.
I KNOW THE COLORS ARE A LITTLE DARK, BUT I WAS TRYING TO FIND A SUITABLE UNIFORM WHAT? DON'T YOU LIKE IT?
JENNIFER COMPLAINED ABOUT IT TOO SHE SAID THEY WERE THE UGLIEST CLOTHES SHE HAD EVER DESIGNED

I... DON'T LIKE IT

I ONLY LIKE IT WHEN YOU WEAR PRETTY CLOTHES
I HATE IT! I HATE IT!
KEN...
BUT...
THAT'S NOT HOW I REALLY FELT
SHE LOOKED MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN EVER

THOSE BLACK CLOTHES ALLOWED ME AND EVA TO LIVE TOGETHER
IT MEANT NO MORE GOOD-BYES

EVA, WHO LIVES HERE? ARE WE ALONE?
YOU'LL MEET HIM SOON ENOUGH.

I CAN'T SLEEP
EVA, CAN I SLEEP WITH YOU?
EVA...?

EVE
NO.
NO!
EVA, WHERE ARE YOU?!
I DON'T WANT TO BE ALONE!

...HOW COULD I WITHSTAND YOUR STUBBORNESS?
YOU INSISTED ON COMING HERE AND I RELENTED.
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I HAVE TO AGREE TO YOUR OTHER DEMANDS.
FINE, I'LL GIVE YOU SOME MORE TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT
EVA!

HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS...
I DIDN'T AGREE TO COME HERE AND BE YOUR SERVANT FOR MYSELF
YOU SHOULD AGREE TO MY REQUESTS...
...MICHAEL.

MICHAEL?
LET'S FINISH THIS ANOTHER TIME.
WE SEEM TO HAVE AN ADORABLE LITTLE GUEST
KEN!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? IT'S PAST MIDNIGHT. YOU SHOULD BE IN BED
WHY ARE YOU CARRYING AROUND THAT PILLOW?

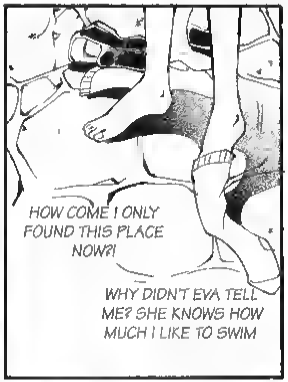
I'M NOT SCARED.
I'M NOT AFRAID TO SLEEP BY MYSELF.
BUT WHY AREN'T YOU SLEEPING?!
AND WHO IS THAT MAN?!

HE'S GONE!
ALL RIGHT, YOU CAN STAY WITH ME TONIGHT, KEN. IT'S BETTER FOR ME ANYWAY TO BE HONEST. I'VE HAD TROUBLE SLEEPING IN THIS PLACE AS WELL
BUT TONIGHT, WE'LL BOTH GET A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP. WHAT DO YOU THINK?
TONIGHT, YOU'LL PROTECT ME IN MY DREAMS, RIGHT, KEN?

WHO... IS THAT PERSON?
WHO?
THE ONE YOU WERE TALKING WITH--MI... WHAT WAS HIS NAME?
OH... HIM
DON'T WORRY. HE'S NOT A BAD PERSON
WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT, YOU'LL SEE

THREE YEARS PASSED
I STILL HADN'T MET MICHAEL I GUESS THE TIME WASN'T YET RIGHT

THIS IS GREAT!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THERE'S A POOL IN THE BASEMENT...


HOW COME I ONLY FOUND THIS PLACE NOW?!
WHY DIDN'T EVA TELL ME? SHE KNOWS HOW MUCH I LIKE TO SWIM

NO... I GUESS SHE WOULDN'T KNOW THAT AFTER WE CAME HERE...
...SHE NEVER SAW ME SWIM

SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT I LIKE TO DO... WHAT I WANT TO HAVE...

SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT ME ANYMORE...
AND I DON'T KNOW HER...
IT'S LIKE WE'VE BECOME STRANGERS!

오락——
THIS POOL IS REALLY
가락——
REALLY.
.HUGE!
I FEEL GREAT

YOU SWIM VERY WELL.
스윽
IS SOMETHING WRONG?
I CAN'T... I CAN'T MOVE MY BODY!
I PREFER TO BE ALONE. ESPECIALLY WHEN I'M TAKING A BATH.

BUT I'LL MAKE AN EXCEPTION WITH SOMEONE WHO IS SO VERY CUTE.
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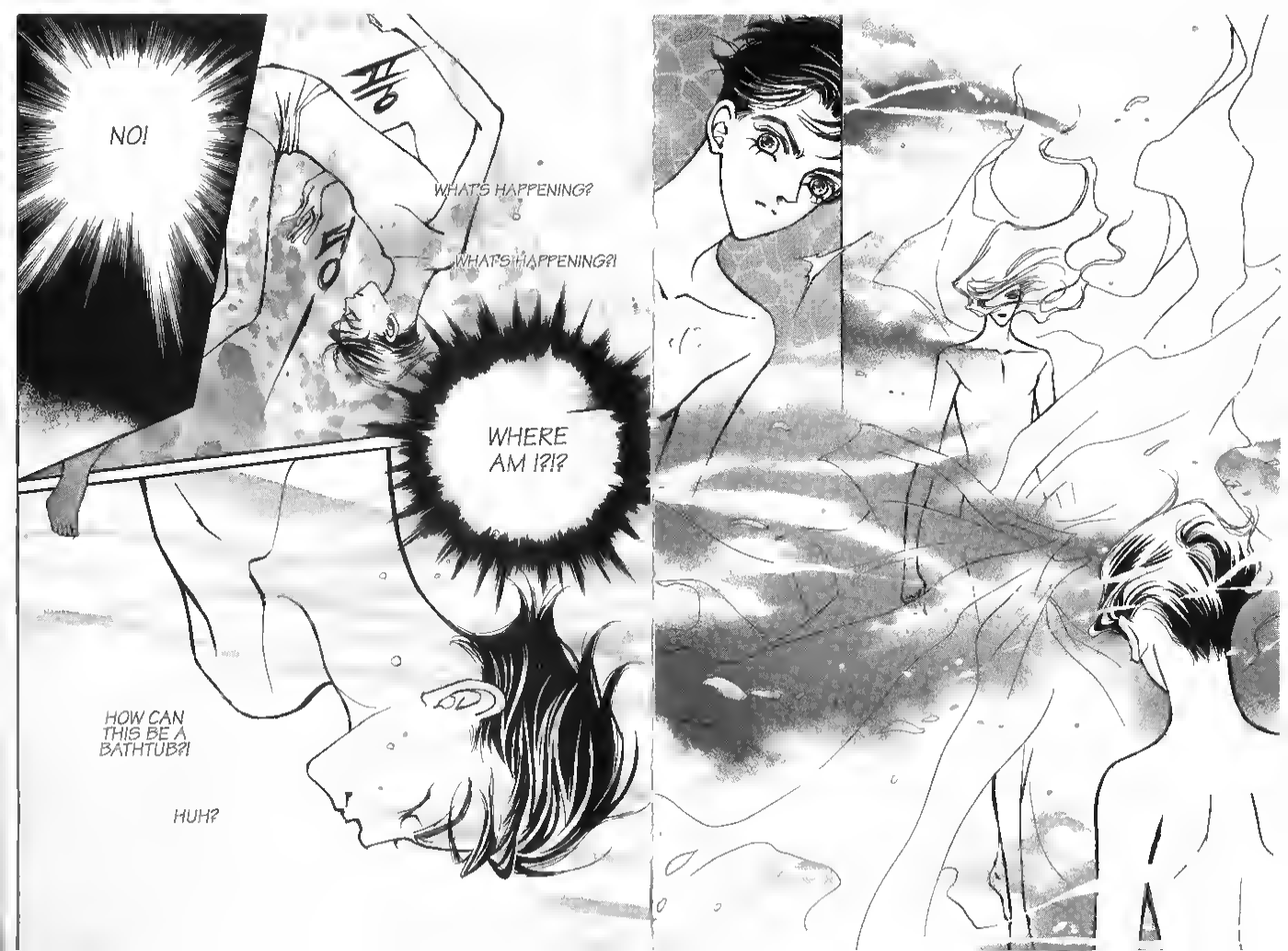
WHAT'S HE DOING?


NO!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
WHERE AM I?!?
HOW CAN THIS BE A BATHTUB?!
HUH?

UHN!
ARE YOU AWAKE?
WHAT DID YOU DO?! I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU NEVER TO GO INTO THE BASEMENT!
YOU'RE LUCKY YOU'RE ALIVE. SINCE YOU FAINTED IN THE WATER, IT'S A MIRACLE I DIDN'T HAVE A HEART ATTACK.
PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL NEVER DO THAT AGAIN!!

DID I WORRY YOU?
YES
YOU KNOW I WORRY ABOUT YOU...
...MY LOVE
EVA

EVA...
WHAT'S THIS?

I WANT YOU TO RUN AN ERRAND

TAKE IT TO THE... GUEST HOUSE. THERE'S SOMEONE WAITING FOR THAT DRINK.
HURRY...
THE GUEST HOUSE. SO THAT'S WHAT IT IS. FOR A LONG TIME, I WAS FORBIDDEN TO ENTER THAT PART OF THE HOUSE. NOW THE DOOR IS OPEN TO ME.

THE TIME HAD COME

THE TIME EVA HAD ONCE SPOKEN ABOUT...

TIME TO MEET OUR HOST.
BUT I HAD ALREADY MET HIM...

TWO YEARS AGO..
I ALREADY KNEW THAT THIS PERSON..
HAD GIVEN ME AND EVA THE CHANCE TO LIVE TOGETHER
I WAS GRATEFUL. AND I KNEW HE WAS..
..THE MASTER OF THE ESTATE.

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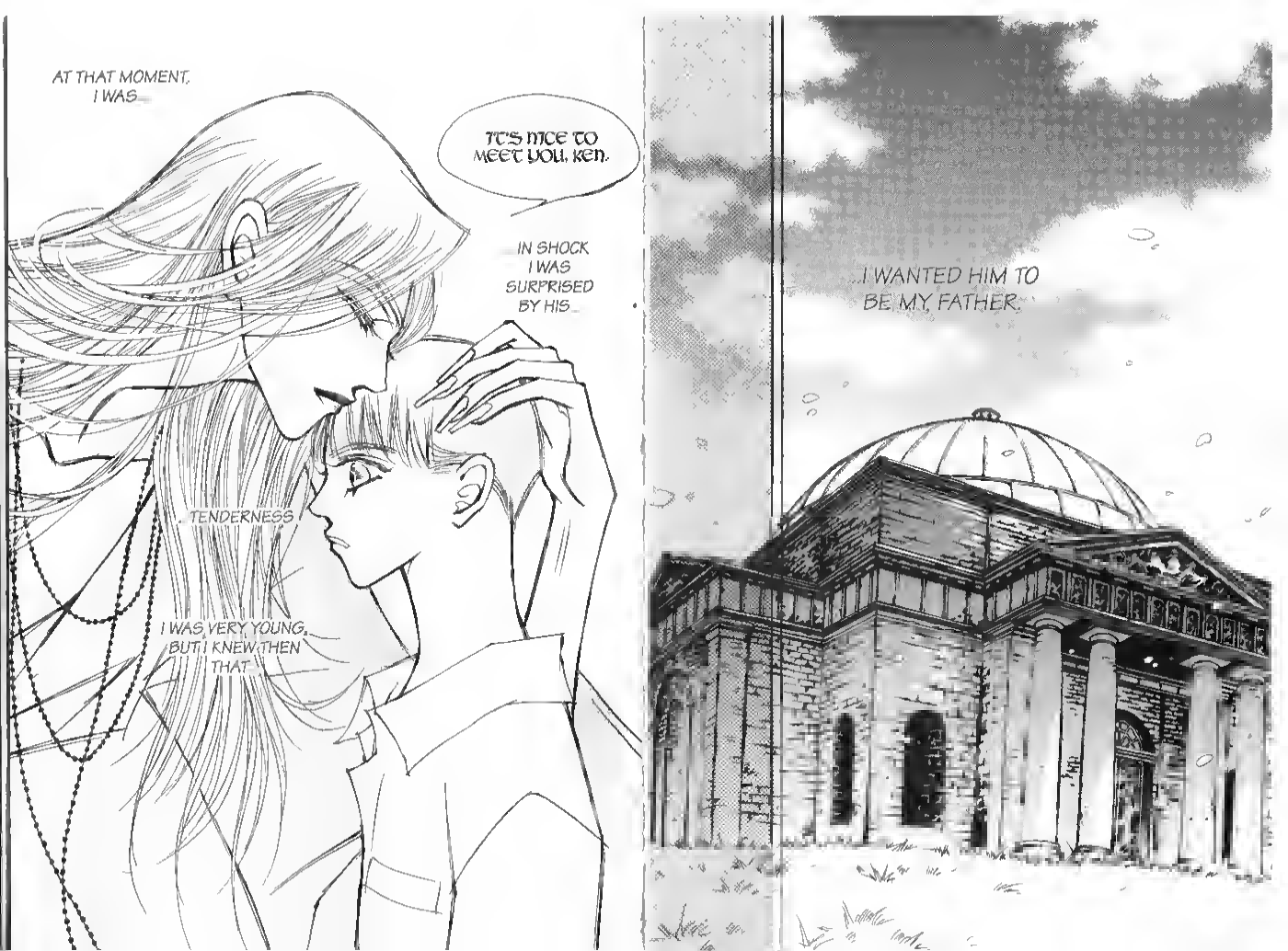
I WILL HOLD THE GLASS UNTIL YOU ARE READY TO DRINK IT

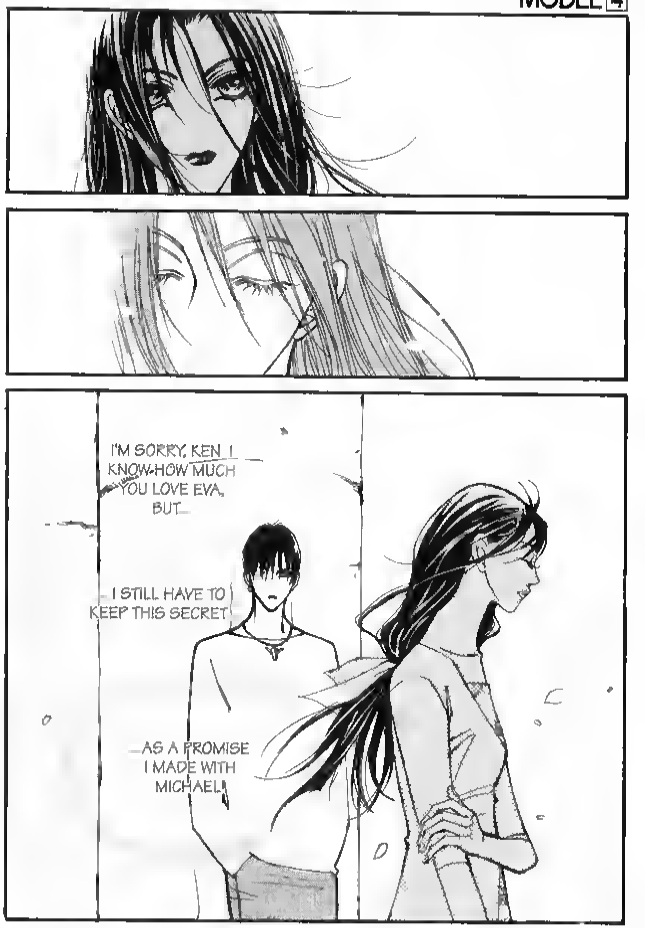
THIS IS FOR SOMEONE VERY IMPORTANT. SO YOU MUST NOT DROP IT.
IT WAS THE SECOND TIME WE MET, BUT REALLY IT WAS...
...THE FIRST TIME WE WERE PROPERLY INTRODUCED
I'VE BEEN WAITING YEARS SINCE I ARRIVED...

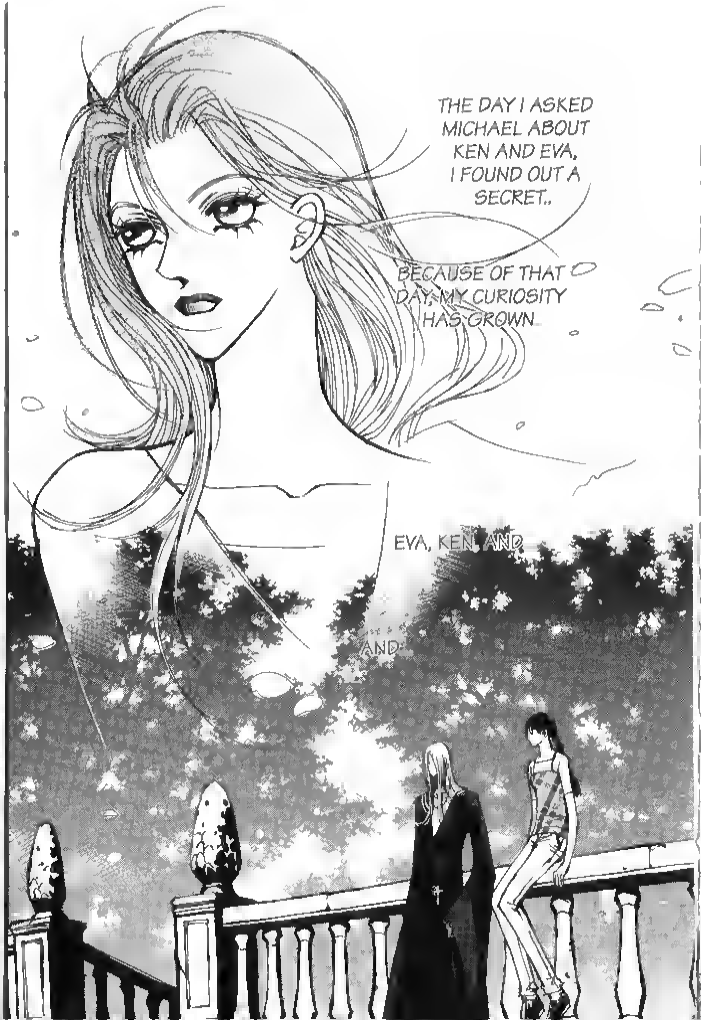

AT THAT MOMENT, I WAS...
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU, KEN.
IN SHOCK I WAS SURPRISED BY HIS...
...TENDERNESS
I WAS VERY YOUNG, BUT I KNEW THEN THAT...
...I WANTED HIM TO BE MY FATHER.

WHY ARE YOU SURPRISED?
BECAUSE I DIDN'T HATE HIM FROM THE BEGINNING?
YOU SEEM SHOCKED THAT I COULD BE CHARMED BY MICHAEL

I WOULD BE LYING IF I DIDN'T SAY I WAS SURPRISED.
I THOUGHT THAT YOU ALWAYS HATED MICHAEL
BUT LATELY I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE.
EVERY TIME I HEAR ABOUT EVA

MICHAEL IS ALWAYS THERE TOO
EVA... MICHAEL AND...
KEN

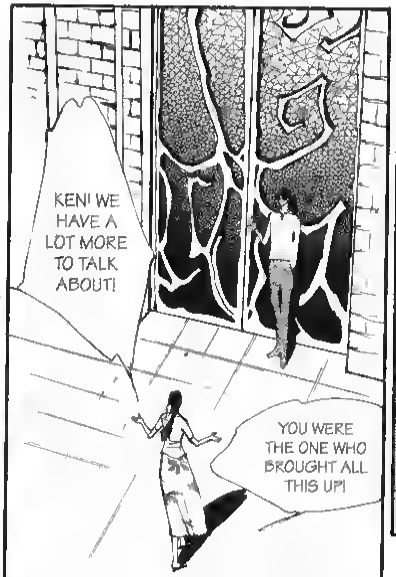

I'M SORRY, KEN. I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU LOVE EVA, BUT...
I STILL HAVE TO KEEP THIS SECRET...
...AS A PROMISE I MADE WITH MICHAEL.


THE DAY I ASKED MICHAEL ABOUT KEN AND EVA, I FOUND OUT A SECRET..
BECAUSE OF THAT DAY, MY CURIOSITY HAS GROWN
EVA, KEN, AND
AND

KEN STILL DOESN'T KNOW THE TRUTH
WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT I'LL LET HIM KNOW THERE'S NO REASON FOR YOU TO SAY A WORD TO HIM ABOUT IT.
DO YOU THINK I HAVE A BIG MOUTH? I CAN KEEP A SECRET, YOU KNOW
MICHAEL, WILL YOU TELL ME ONE MORE THING? ARE YOU
KEN'S REAL FATHER?

HMM...
YOU SHOULD ASK HIM ABOUT THAT.

IT'S GETTING COLD OUT HERE. WE SHOULD GO INSIDE


KEN! WE HAVE A LOT MORE TO TALK ABOUT!
YOU WERE THE ONE WHO BROUGHT ALL THIS UP!

I'VE BEEN CURIOUS EVER SINCE I GOT HERE

MICHAEL'S COFFIN!
DID YOU KNOW THAT, MICHAEL?
MORE THAN THE SECRET YOU TOLD ME ABOUT KEN AND EVA..
..WHAT'S BEEN KILLING ME..
IS WHAT YOUR RELATIONSHIP IS TO KEN
..AND WHEN KEN TOLD ME THAT YOU WEREN'T HIS REAL FATHER..
I QUIETLY BREATHED A SIGH OF RELIEF
WHY?

THAT'S SOMETHING I STILL HAVE TO FIND OUT ON MY OWN...
THIS WAS THE PLACE
THE PLACE WHERE I FIRST PROPERLY MET MICHAEL...
AND WHERE I FOUND OUT MICHAEL IS A VAMPIRE
EVA, I ALREADY KNOW!

WHO DO YOU LOVE?
KEN, IF YOU HAVE TOO MUCH TIME ON YOUR HANDS
WHY DON'T YOU HELP OUT WITH THE HOUSEWORK? I'M SURE I CAN FIND SOMETHING TO KEEP YOU BUSY

I ALWAYS WONDERED WHY YOU GAVE UP MODELING TO BECOME A HOUSEKEEPER
NOW I KNOW THE REASON
IT'S SO OBVIOUS
BECAUSE I KNOW ALL TOO WELL ABOUT WANTING TO BE WITH THE PERSON YOU LOVE

LAST NIGHT, I SAW YOU CRYING IN FRONT OF MICHAEL
I'D NEVER SEEN SO MANY TEARS FLOW FROM YOUR EYES
AND
I THOUGHT THAT IF MICHAEL EVA AND I...
WHAT IF WE WERE A FAMILY.?
EVA?!
STOP! DON'T COME ANY NEARER!

IT'S OKAY I'M ALL RIGHT...
EVA?!
YOU'RE BLEEDING! IS IT DEEP? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I'LL CLEAN IT UP. YOU TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF...
DON'T TOUCH ANYTHING!

IT'S JUST A SMALL CUT. I'M NOT GOING TO DIE OR ANYTHING.
...SO STOP FREAKING OUT AND GO BACK TO YOUR ROOM
GO!
EVER SINCE WE ARRIVED HERE, EVA WAS ALWAYS QUICK TO REACT TO EVERY LITTLE CUT.
ESPECIALLY IF IT HAPPENED TO ME

I KNEW SHE WOULD BE OKAY. THE CUT WASN'T DEEP.
BUT IT WASN'T THE CUT THAT EVA WAS AFRAID OF. IT WAS...
MICHAEL?

SHE WAS AFRAID OF THE DROPS OF BLOOD
I THOUGHT ABOUT MICHAEL'S PALE FACE STANDING NEXT TO THE DOOR
EVA, I'M HOME MY VACATION STARTS TODAY
I DIDN'T THINK I WOULD MISS YOU GUYS, BUT AFTER A LITTLE WHILE...
EVA?

WHERE ARE YOU? THE TABLE IS SET, BUT YOU'VE DISAPPEARED
I WONDER IF SHE'S IN THE GUEST HOUSE?
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ANY OTHER D. Y...
I WOULD'VE JUST WAITED FOR HER, BUT...
I GUESS YOU COULD SAY THAT IT WAS A VERY FATEFUL DAY.

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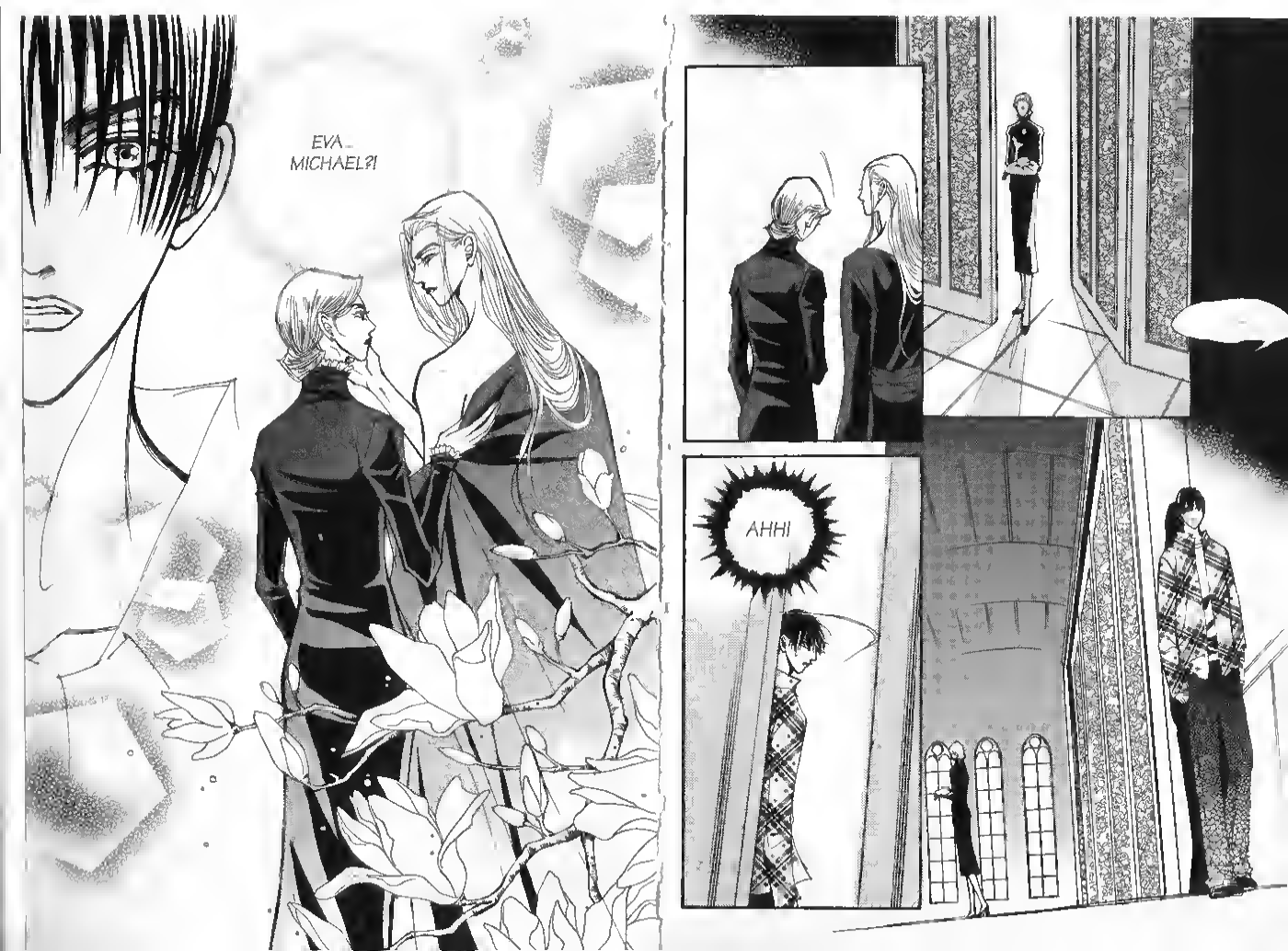
호호—
WHO'S LAUGHING?
I WASN'T ALLOWED TO GO TO THE GUEST HOUSE UNLESS I HAD PERMISSION.

WITHOUT MICHAEL'S CONSENT, IT WAS FORBIDDEN
FORBIDDEN
BUT WHY?

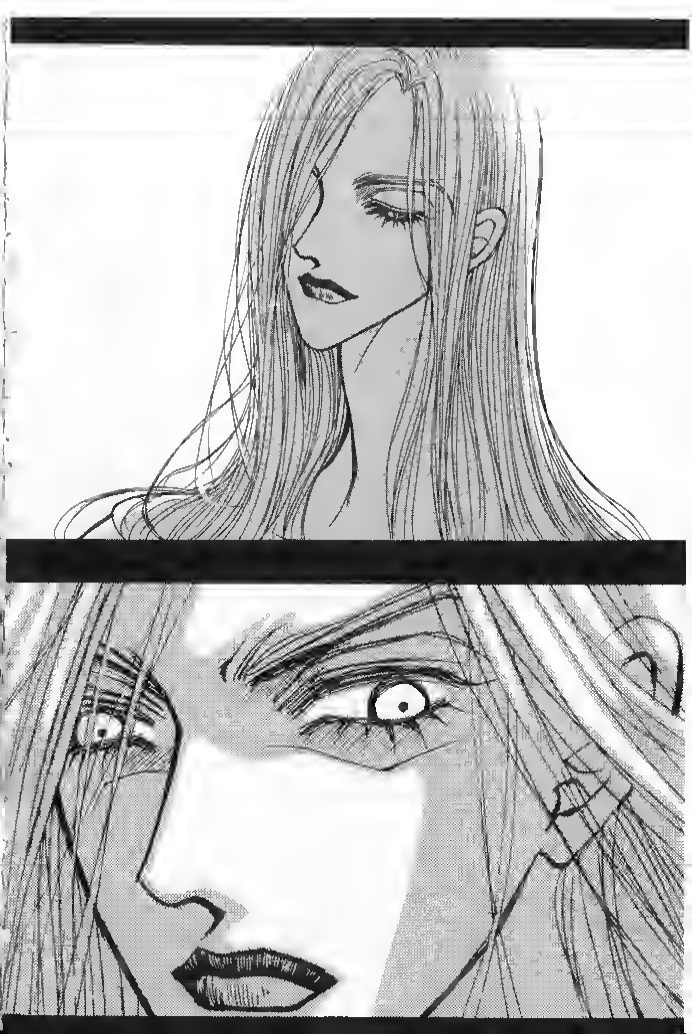

EVA...
MICHAEL?!
AHHH

I COULD'VE JUST WALKED AWAY AND FORGOTTEN ABOUT IT.
PRETEND I HADN'T SEEN ANYTHING.
BUT IT WAS A VERY FATEFUL NIGHT

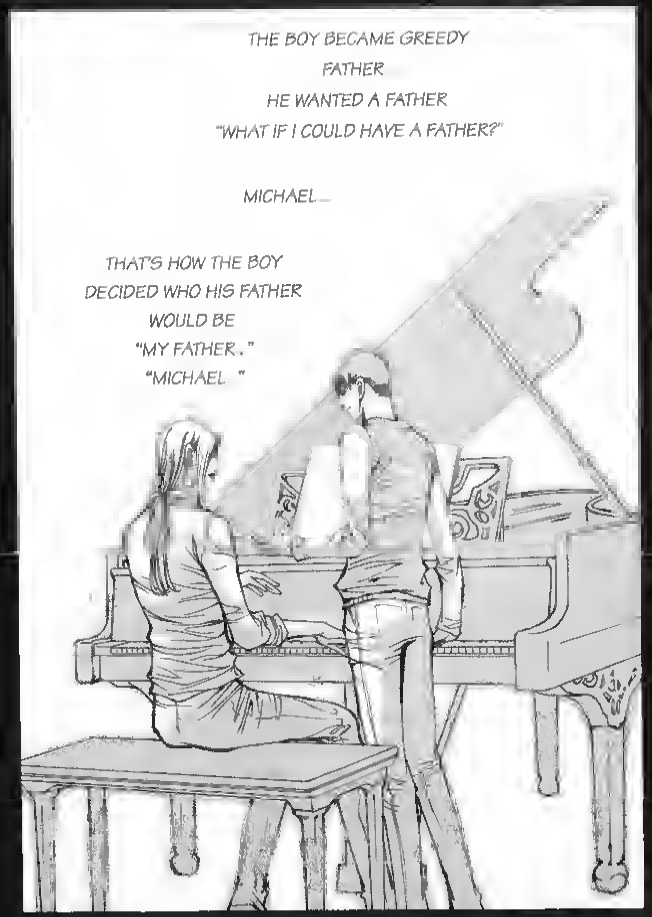
I WANTED SO MUCH FOR THE THREE OF US TO BE ONE HAPPY FAMILY...

...WERE
COMPLETELY...

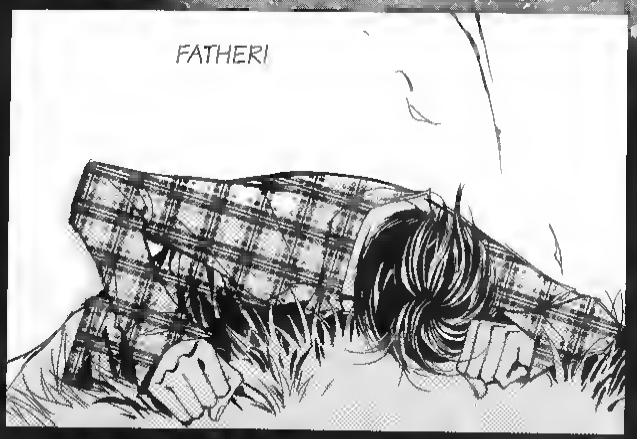
...DESTROYED.
EVA, HOW COME I CAN ONLY SEE MICHAEL AT NIGHT?
WHY CAN'T ALL THREE OF US EAT TOGETHER TONIGHT? ISN'T MICHAEL JOINING US?
NO, KEN. HE IS THE MASTER OF THIS HOUSE AND WE ARE HIS SERVANTS SO WE CAN NEVER EAT TOGETHER
BUT EVA, NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER SEEN HIM EAT BEFORE

NOT ONCE...


IT'S A BAD DREAM...
EVA
EVA
EVA
THE BABY'S FIRST WORD WAS
NOT "MOMMY," BUT "EVA"
FROM THAT VERY
DAY, THE BOY
DECIDED THAT
EVA WOULD BE
HIS MOTHER


THE BOY BECAME GREEDY
FATHER
HE WANTED A FATHER
"WHAT IF I COULD HAVE A FATHER?"
MICHAEL...
THAT'S HOW THE BOY
DECIDED WHO HIS FATHER
WOULD BE
"MY FATHER."
"MICHAEL."

MY...
MY...


FATHER!

SOB
THAT'S HOW I FOUND OUT THAT MY DREAMS WERE JUST DREAMS.
SO,
BETRAYED...?
BETRAYED
AFTER ALL, A BOY CLINGS TO CHILDISH HOPES AFTER THE REALIZATION, I BECAME EMPTY...
I HATED HIM.

THE ONE WHO ALLOWED ME TO DREAM AS A BOY...!
EVA.
EVA.
EVA.
EVA.

MICHAEL
AFTER THAT, I RAN AWAY FROM HOME BUT I HAD NOWHERE TO GO SO I ENDED UP COMING BACK TO THIS PLACE.
I WONDERED WHAT IT WAS THAT WOULDN'T LET ME LEAVE HERE.
IT MUST HAVE BEEN EVA.

BECAUSE SHE IS SO DIFFERENT FROM MICHAEL
HMPH, DO YOU THINK THAT'S TRUE?

ANYWAY, EVA'S NOT MY REAL MOTHER
EVEN THOUGH SHE TREATS ME LIKE HER SON

THAT SHOULD BE MORE THAN REASON ENOUGH

CAN I SIT NEXT TO YOU?
I FEEL THAT...
YOUR HATRED TOWARD MICHAEL, AND YOUR INABILITY TO SPEAK YOUR HEART WITH EVA...
ARE BECAUSE YOU REALLY DO LOVE THEM. AM I WRONG?

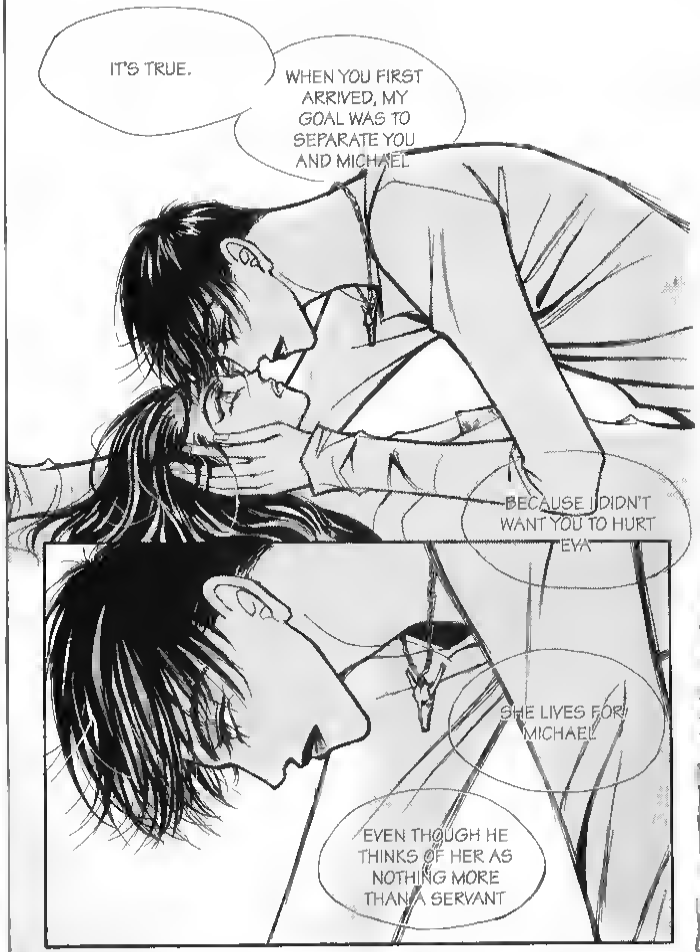
I KNOW YOU PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO HEAR THIS...
...BUT I CONSIDER THE THREE OF YOU...
...FAMILY.

I SEE YOU AS ONE FAMILY

OF COURSE, I CAN'T SAY THAT YOU GUYS ARE A "NORMAL" FAMILY
BUT I CAN SEE THAT YOU ALL CARE DEEPLY FOR EACH OTHER. I CAN FEEL IT

AND SINCE I'M SAYING ALL THIS, I'M GOING TO LET IT ALL OUT
I...
I DON'T WANT TO TAKE MICHAEL AWAY FROM YOU AND EVA
SO I WANT YOU TO STOP PUTTING UP SUCH A FRONT FOR ME
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT MY RELATIONSHIP WITH MICHAEL IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK
I DON'T WANT TO BE PART OF THIS BIZARRE FAMILY
I'M JUST TRYING TO FULFILL MY DREAM OF BECOMING A GREAT PAINTER
OF COURSE, I AM A VERY CURIOUS PERSON I CAN'T DENY THAT

AND I'VE LEARNED ONE THING FROM MY TIME HERE. WHO YOU WANT TO BE WITH...
...ISN'T ME, BUT...
...MICHAEL AND EVA!
!
MMMM!
OKAY, THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN TRUE BEFORE...
BUT REMEMBER THIS...
PEOPLE CHANGE


IT'S TRUE.
WHEN YOU FIRST ARRIVED, MY GOAL WAS TO SEPARATE YOU AND MICHAEL
BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO HURT EVA
SHE LIVES FOR MICHAEL
EVEN THOUGH HE THINKS OF HER AS NOTHING MORE THAN A SERVANT

AFTER I DISCOVERED HE WAS A VAMPIRE, HE DIDN'T CARE IF I SAW THE HUMANS HE BROUGHT HERE
I DIDN'T PAY ATTENTION TO THOSE GIRLS AFTER ALL, THEY WERE ONLY HERE TO QUENCH HIS THIRST
BUT YOU WERE DIFFERENT
HE ALLOWED YOU TO COME TO HIS MANSION TO DRAW HIS PORTRAIT

YOU'RE DIFFERENT
VERY DIFFERENT
I TOLD YOU MY PLANS HAD CHANGED DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY?
OF COURSE YOU DO YOU'RE A VERY CURIOUS GIRL

NO, DON'T TELL ME
TOO BAD. YOU HAVE TO KNOW
I WANT..

.. YOU..
KEN HAD THOUGHT ABOUT IT A LONG TIME HE REALIZED IF HIS PARENTS COULD NOT GRANT HIM HIS DREAM OF A HAPPY FAMILY, THEN IT WAS TIME TO CREATE HIS OWN DREAM – ONE THAT EXISTED BEYOND THE DREAMWORLD OF SLEEP
HE'S GROWN UP..
HE IS NO LONGER A CHILD WHO ONLY WANTS TO BE LOVED
HE'S OLD ENOUGH TO CHOOSE WHO CAN LOVE HIM.

GROWN UP...

GET OFF ME.
I SAID--GET OFF!

YOU'RE CRYING
I'M PROBABLY THE FIRST ONE HERE WHO'S EVER SEEN YOU CRY
YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL..
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE YOU TO MICHAEL.
I DON'T WANT HIM TO HAVE EVEN A SINGLE TEARDROP.
I'M SERIOUS...

...YOUR TEARS...
...NEVER SHOW THEM TO MICHAEL

A SECRET?
SURE, I CAN KEEP A SECRET
BUT IT DEPENDS ON WHAT KIND OF SECRET IT IS

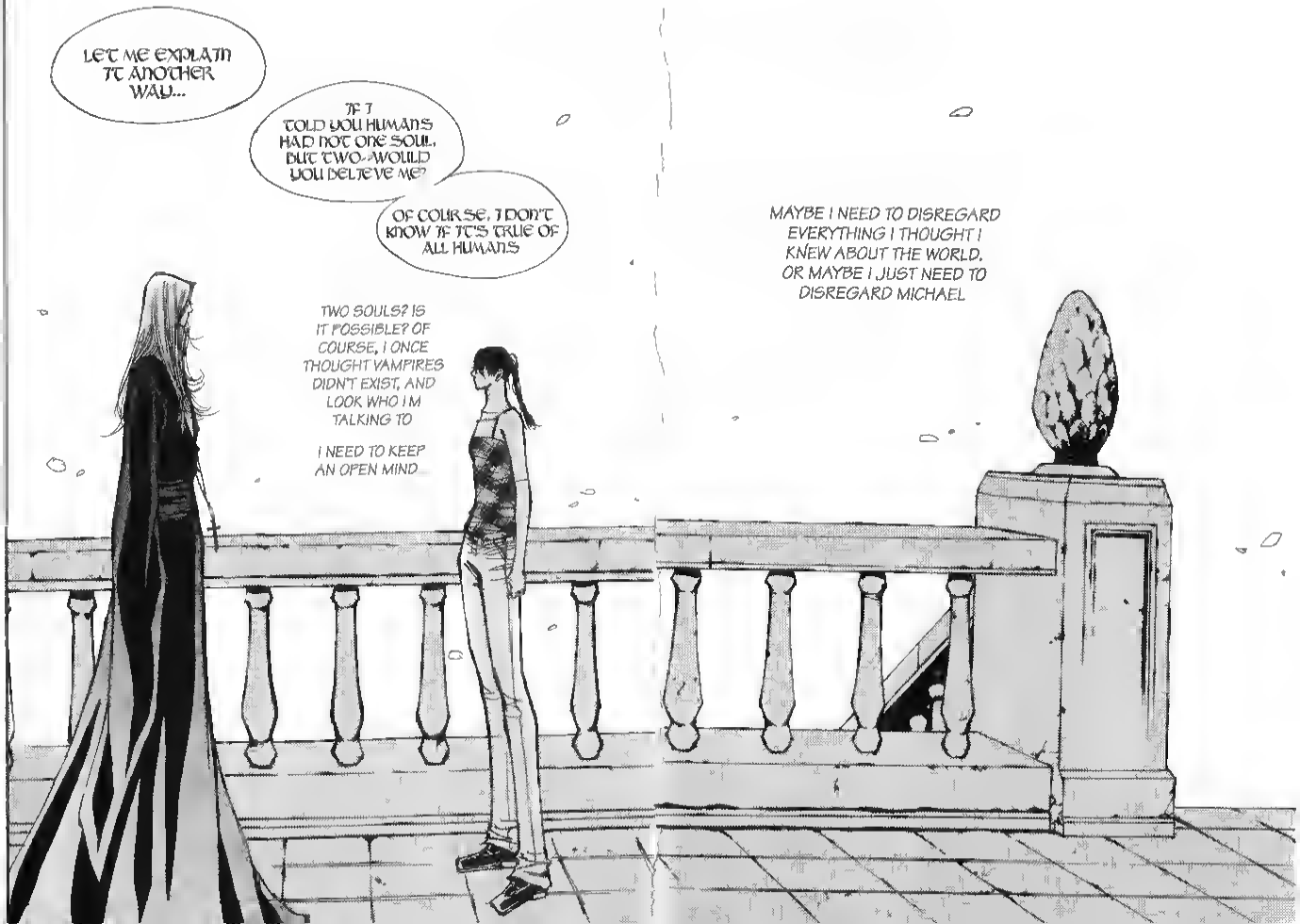
HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT KEN?

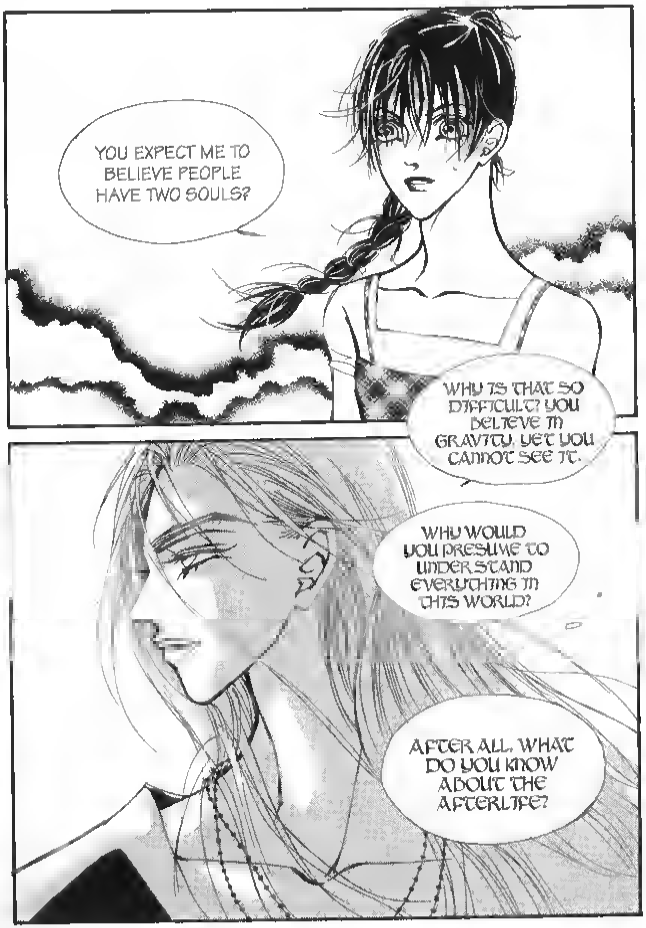
KEN?! WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT EVA
I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO TELL ME A SECRET ABOUT HER. NOW YOU'RE ASKING ME ABOUT KEN?!
DO YOU THINK YOU COULD LOVE HIM?

WHAT KIND OF QUESTION IS THAT!!
I FEEL SORRY FOR HIM. THAT'S ALL.
RIGHT NOW, HE NEEDS SOMEONE TO LOVE.
EVA AND I... ARE NO LONGER ANY HELP TO HIM.
I WANT YOU TO...

STOP! I DON'T WANT TO HEAR YOUR "SECRET"
I'M DONE ASKING QUESTIONS
YOU TOLD ME ABOUT EVA'S PAST AS A MODEL, AND HOW YOU TWO MET.
LET'S JUST END IT THERE
EVA IS KEN'S MOTHER.

THEIR BLOOD..
..AND THEIR SOULS ARE ONE AND THE SAME.
WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS?
IT DOESN'T EVEN MAKE SENSE
HOW...
CAN SOMEONE SHARE THE SAME SOUL?
EITHER I MISUNDERSTOOD OR..
...YOU'RE LYING TO ME.
AS A VAMPIRE, I HAVE NO NEED TO LIE.
I SUPPOSE HUMANS CANNOT BELIEVE WHAT THEY CANNOT SEE WITH THEIR OWN EYES.


LET ME EXPLAIN IT ANOTHER WAY...
IF I TOLD YOU HUMANS HAD NOT ONE SOUL, BUT TWO--WOULD YOU BELIEVE ME?
OF COURSE, I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TRUE OF ALL HUMANS
TWO SOULS? IS IT POSSIBLE? OF COURSE, I ONCE THOUGHT VAMPIRES DIDN'T EXIST, AND LOOK WHO I'M TALKING TO
I NEED TO KEEP AN OPEN MIND
MAYBE I NEED TO DISREGARD EVERYTHING I THOUGHT I KNEW ABOUT THE WORLD. OR MAYBE I JUST NEED TO DISREGARD MICHAEL


YOU EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE PEOPLE HAVE TWO SOULS?
WHY IS THAT SO DIFFICULT? YOU BELIEVE IN GRAVITY, YET YOU CANNOT SEE IT.
WHO WOULD YOU PRESUME TO UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD?
AFTER ALL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE AFTERLIFE?

DO YOU FIND YOURSELF SUDDENLY FULL OF DOUBT?
I DON'T CARE ABOUT HOW MANY SOULS YOU SAY THERE ARE...
OH, YOU WILL, JAE. WHILE YOU ARE HERE, YOU'LL SOON FIND OUT...

THE WILL TO SURVIVE...
...STEMS FROM WARMTH...
...FROM LOVE...
I DON'T WANT KEN TO GIVE UP ON THAT...

HIS LIPS...
...HELD MINE FOR WHAT FELT LIKE...
...AN ETERNITY...
TAK
BUT..
BUT...

HOW DO YOU FEEL?
MY LIPS! I CAN'T FEEL MY LIPS

DON'T LET KEN LOSE THAT...
MICHAEL'S TOUCH CONSUMED MY THOUGHTS

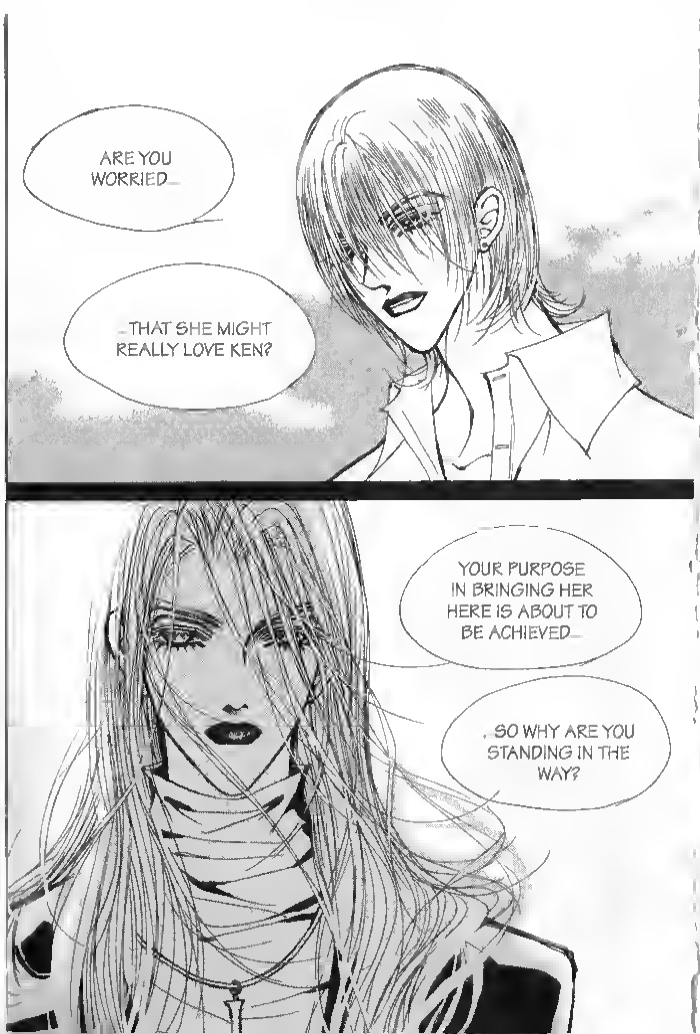
I COMPARED HIS TOUCH TO THE WAY KEN'S LIPS FELT...
...THEY WERE SO DIFFERENT
MICHAEL'S LIPS WERE COLD
BUT KEN'S LIPS WERE...

...W.ARM...
MICHAEL SPOKE ABOUT THE HUMAN WILL TO SURVIVE...
...THE INNER WARMTH OF THE SOUL...
I DON'T WANT KEN TO LOSE THAT.. ...I DON'T WANT HIM TO LOSE HIS WARMTH...

MICHAEL!

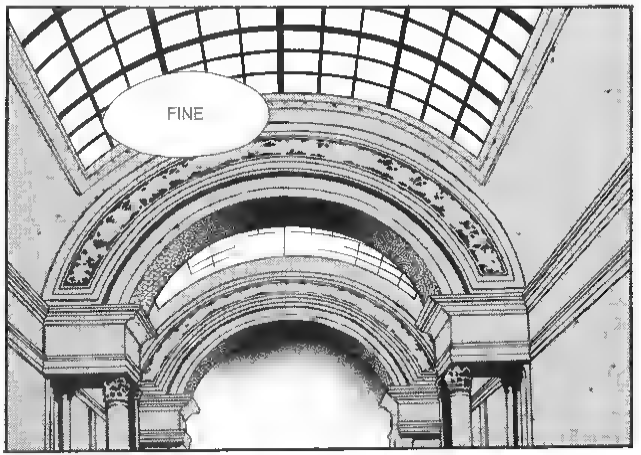
YOU SAID THIS GIRL'S NAME IS JAE?

PERFECT EVERYTHING BETWEEN THOSE TWO IS COMING ALONG AS YOU PLANNED, MICHAEL
OF COURSE, YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT
THAT'S WHY I HAVE ONE IMPORTANT QUESTION FOR YOU
I CAN SEE THINGS IN MY WORLD THAT YOU CAN'T


ARE YOU WORRIED...
...THAT SHE MIGHT REALLY LOVE KEN?
YOUR PURPOSE IN BRINGING HER HERE IS ABOUT TO BE ACHIEVED...
...SO WHY ARE YOU STANDING IN THE WAY?

OF COURSE, I KNOW THE ANSWER
I HEARD HER
...SHE ANXIOUSLY CALLS FOR YOU...
...MICHAEL

BE PATIENT.
IF YOU INTERVENE, THE SITUATION WILL ONLY BECOME MORE DIFFICULT.
A HUMAN'S HEART IS NOT SO EASILY CONTROLLED.
EVEN IF THEY ARE FATED FOR EACH OTHER, THEY NEED TO MAKE THAT DISCOVERY THROUGH HONESTY.
OTHERWISE, THERE IS NO FOUNDATION AND THE TWO WILL EASILY BREAK APART.
REMEMBER, ONCE THEY ARE BOUND TOGETHER, NO ONE CAN STAND IN THEIR WAY.
I CAN FEEL YOU FINALLY BECOMING MUCH WEAKER AS WELL MICHAEL.
I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW HAPPY THAT MAKES ME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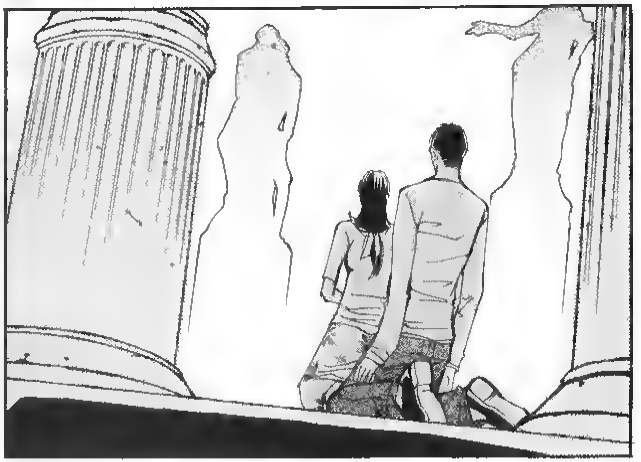

DO WHAT YOU WANT.
UNBUTTON ME

I'M BEING SINCERE-!
AND HONEST-

WHAT MORE DO YOU WANT?!

THIS IS WHY YOU'RE NOTHING MORE THAN A BOY!
BECAUSE YOU DOUBT MY FEELINGS TOWARD YOU.
BECAUSE YOU'RE SCARED. DO YOU KNOW WHY?!
YOU HAVE NO CONFIDENCE.
YOU'RE AFRAID OF BEING BETRAYED.
YOU'RE AFRAID OF BEING HURT BY LOVE AGAIN.
BUT THERE'S SOMETHING YOU NEED TO KNOW. YOU MAY THINK THAT YOU'VE BEEN BETRAYED. BUT THE TRUTH NEVER BETRAYS ANYONE.
MICHAEL AND EVA

...THEY HAVEN'T CHANGED, BUT YOU'VE SLOWLY DISTORTED THE WAY YOU SEE THEIR LOVE.
...JUST BECAUSE MICHAEL IS A VAMPIRE, NOT A HUMAN
YOUR IDEAS ABOUT LOVE ARE STANDING IN THE WAY OF YOUR OWN HAPPINESS.
YOU THINK EVA LOVES MICHAEL. BUT CAN YOU PROVE IT?

HAVE YOU EVER ASKED EVA ABOUT IT?
YOU, MICHAEL AND EVA.
IT'S YOUR OWN IMAGINATION THAT CONFUSED THE THREE OF YOU AS ONE FAMILY.
EVA IS...
SHE'S...

KEN STILL DOESN'T KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT EVERYTHING. EVENTUALLY, THE TRUTH WILL REVEAL ITSELF TO HIM.
EVA IS...
KEN, YOUR
I'M SORRY, MICHAEL
I CAN'T KEEP YOUR SECRET...
JAE!!

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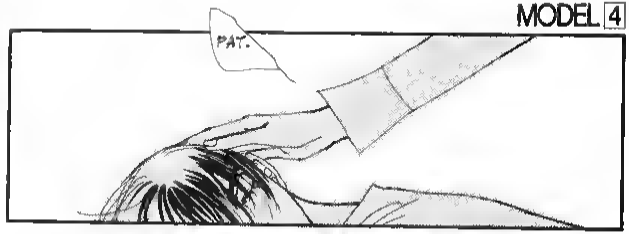
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WELL, I GUESS WE SHOULDN'T LEAVE THESE TWO LYING HERE.
I CAN'T MOVE THEM ALONE, WOULD YOU CARE TO HELP?

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MESSAGES FROM THE MAUSOLEUM

MORE CONFLICTED THAN EVER, JAE IS TORMENTED OVER WHETHER SHE SHOULD LEAVE THE ESTATE. BUT SHE'S NOT THE ONLY ONE WRESTLING WITH THIS DILEMMA, AS MICHAEL STRUGGLES WITH DEMONS OF HIS OWN. THEN, IN A VISION, JAE HAS [illegible] INTO THE TRUE NATURE OF HIS TIES TO KEN AND EVA. WILL HER QUESTIONS BE ANSWERED...OR WILL THE MYSTERY TAKE ANOTHER UNEXPECTED TURN?

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